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Title: Object-Based Storage
Device with Improved
Reliability and Fast Crash
Recovery

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF
July 18, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of July 18, 2006, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.